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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: KLENK et al.  
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For: **AXIAL SHAFT SEAL**

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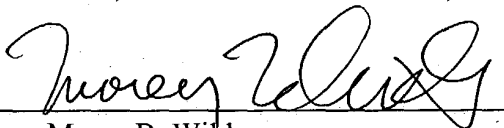
**LETTER RE: PRIORITY**

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority of German Application Serial No. 102 28 621.3, filed  
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Respectfully submitted,

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